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NORTH DAKOTA HIGHWAY PATROL RECEIVES IACP LAW ENFORCEMENT CHALLENGE AWARD

The North Dakota Highway Patrol received the first place award in the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) law enforcement challenge competition. The Patrol was the winner in the State Police/Highway Patrol category that is comprised of agencies with 1-250 sworn officers. Captain Dave Kleppe was presented this award on behalf of Colonel Mark Nelson at the 2008 IACP conference in San Diego, California.

Criteria involved in the selection of the winners included policy and guidelines, officer training, public information and education, enforcement, and effectiveness. "It is very gratifying to be recognized by your peers for the hard work of the entire agency. This award is a reflection of the North Dakota Highway Patrol's commitment to provide citizens of this great state with quality law enforcement services," said Colonel Nelson. The Law Enforcement Challenge program targets three major traffic safety priorities: occupant protection, impaired driving, and speed.

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